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Though most of the information I may have gathered about the Microsoft settlement may be somewhat inaccurate, I do believe that Microsoft deserves to be punished.

For what it's worth, I am an Apple Macintosh user and college student. I am writing this in support for Microsoft to show a bit more "software fairness" for not only Macintosh platforms, but many others as well.

From what I have recently understood, Microsoft is trying to show its compassionate side by giving up to \$1 billion to needy schools in hopes to alleviate itself from these concurrent lawsuits. And though this may be a good for schools, Microsoft only intends to give away its very own products and refurbished PCs serving its operating system, while forgetting about support for any other platform. This, in turn, could cause problems for school districts who may rely on the sole usage of say, Apple products.

In my honest opinion, I believe such things as Microsoft is doing (or has done) are wrong and perfectly define the word "monopoly." Such things are the epitome of the word.

It is my hope that Microsoft be brought to justice and that in doing so would realign equal opportunity and give consumers the "right to choose" benefits that should be practiced diligently within our technological industry, not oppressed by Microsoft.

Sincerely,

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